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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

## TWO FATAL WRECKS

One Occurs In Mississippi and One In Alabama.

### SEVERAL KILLED, 26 HURT

Two Coaches of a Train on the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad Plunge Down an Embankment with Disastrous Results.

Clarksdale, Miss., Sept. 16.—Four persons are known to have been killed and twenty-six injured in a wreck on the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad two miles south of here when two coaches of a passenger train rolled down an embankment. Two or three passengers are unaccounted for, and it is possible their bodies will be found under the wreckage.

The wrecked train was No. 313, which left Jackson, Miss., at 6:25 a. m., and was known as the "Jackson special."

The train upon approaching Clarksdale, was behind, and while running at a very rapid rate of speed, the chair car and a day coach left the track. After being dragged several yards the two coaches, which were well filled with passengers, became detached from the cars ahead and turned over an embankment and were crushed into a mass of wood and iron.

The wreck, it is said, was caused by the expansion of the steel rails after the engine and advance cars had passed over them.

As soon as the news of the accident reached this city a train with physicians and volunteer nurses hastened to the scene and gave help to the injured.

#### News Agent a Hero.

News Agent Metzger proved himself a hero. Although badly injured he seized an ax and rescued a woman from almost certain death.

A number of the lesser wounded were brought to Clarksdale and placed in the hospital and private residences. Those more seriously hurt were placed aboard a special train and sent to Memphis.

#### WRECK IN ALABAMA.

Three Persons Killed and Twenty Are Injured.

Samson, Ala., Sept. 16.—The log train of the Henderson-Boyd Lumber company was wrecked early Monday morning about five miles north of Samson, killing three persons outright and injuring twenty more.

The engine was pushing a train of empty cars, and the wreck occurred on a trestle with a steep grade on either side. The engineers were scalded, but the fireman escaped unhurt.

Of the wounded, Mr. Williams, the woods boss, and Mr. Powell were scalded so badly that their skin peeled off.

At the point where the wreck occurred the road is now, and the track runs according to the natural run of the ground, no grading having been done. The small ravine over which the trestle stretches is marked on either side by steep hills.

The engineer had orders to leave half of his train on top of the hill, but when he reached the point he started over with the entire eighteen cars. The train was backing, and when several of the cars had started up the incline it caused the center car to buck. When it came down it missed the track, causing the wreck. The engine and entire train left the track.

Immediately after the wreck a telephone message was sent to Samson, and eight physicians were rushed to the scene.

None worked more faithfully than the convicts, and the three dead bodies, with all of the injured, were removed from the wreck by them by 11 o'clock and carried to Hittchford on a relief train.

Read Speech from Throne.  
The Hague, Sept. 16.—The speech

from the throne at the opening of the states general Tuesday was read by Premier Heemskerk in the absence of Queen Wilhelmina, who is convalescing from her recent illness. The speech makes but a brief reference to the differences between the Netherlands and the republic of Venezuela which resulted in the Dutch minister at Caracas being expelled from Venezuela by President Castro.

#### \$797,000 APPROPRIATED.

Report of the Vicksburg National Military Park Commission.

Washington, Sept. 16.—According to the annual report of the Vicksburg National Military Park commission, a total of \$797,000 has been appropriated up to this time by the various state legislatures for memorials, monuments and markers to certain persons and organizations. Of the state appropriations, Illinois leads with \$260,000, Iowa has \$150,000, Wisconsin \$120,000, and other states various amounts down to \$5,000. Union and confederate memorials both adorn the park.

A warm tribute is paid to the memory of Commissioner Lieutenant General Stephen D. Lee who died May 23, last, and by whose death "the country lost a good and great citizen, the commission an efficient worker, and each of its remaining members a dear personal friend."

It has been proposed to erect a memorial in the park commemorative of the services of the union navy in the operations of the Vicksburg campaign and for the construction of such a memorial an estimate for an appropriation of \$200,000 is submitted.

#### KERN COMING TO SOUTH.

Candidate Will Make Speeches in a Number of Towns.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—The itinerary of John W. Kern, democratic candidate for vice president, was made public at democratic headquarters Monday.

Mr. Kern will speak in Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 2; Macon, Ga., Oct. 3; Asheville, N. C., Oct. 6; Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 6; Winston-Salem, N. C., Oct. 7; Roanoke, Va., Oct. 7; Fincastle, Va., Oct. 8; Huntington, W. Va., and other points to be named later.

October 8 has been left open, so as to permit Mr. Kern to visit his sister, who lives in Roanoke, Va. It was in this city that Mr. Kern's parents lived before they migrated west.

Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, treasurer of the democratic national committee, stated that miscellaneous contributions to the campaign fund, ranging from \$1 to \$100, were being received at the rate of \$3,000 a day. These, he said, were exclusive of funds gathered by the finance committee.

#### Roads Will Make Reduced Rates.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—The railroads in the central passenger association territory have decided, it was announced Monday, to make reduced rates on the basis of a single fare for the round trip for political gatherings this fall. As most of the states in the central territory have two-cent fare laws, these rates will generally be one cent a mile. The rate applies to points within a distance of 150 miles, with a minimum fare of 50 cents, but no minimum requirements as to attendance.

#### Mexicans Release El Paso Boys.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 16.—The three El Paso boys arrested by Mexican rurales and held at Juarez for thirteen days without the formalities of having charges preferred against them were released Monday night. They declare that a full examination with questions particularly directed to discovering any revolutionary sympathies the prisoners might have entertained was made.

#### Col. Miles Collier Dead.

Columbus, Ga., Sept. 16.—Private telegrams brought the news of the death in New York of Colonel C. Miles Collier, father of Mrs. W. W. Stewart, of Columbus. He was a West Point graduate, a brilliant Confederate soldier and one of the best-known southerners in the metropolis. He was an artist of note.

## NEWS OF CITY AND COUNTY CONDENSED

From Thursday's Daily Sun:

Miss Lella Potts, who has been making this city her home for the past year, stopping with the family of C. C. Cagle of The Gainesville Furniture Company, will leave today for her old home in North Carolina, where she will in the future reside.

B. B. Keep of Boardman was in the city yesterday. He is interested in high-class stock and came here to look over what was offered in this, the leading market of the State. He visited Spring Park Farm during the day, where he was a guest of Manager Callison.

Attention is directed to the change in the advertisement of W. L. Hill, the piano man on East Main street. He has no expenses to speak of and can save you money on any instrument you may want to purchase. All he asks is that you get his prices before you buy.

The M. J. Patterson Co. is the style of the new real estate firm, which has formerly been known as Patterson & Steenburg. The new company starts out with all the business of the old company and has flattering prospects of a good business the coming season.

Lawson Mooty, who is now making his headquarters at Waycross, Ga., arrived yesterday on a visit to his parents, who reside in East Gainesville. Since his departure from this city he has traveled over a large number of the Southern States, but prefers Florida to them all.

Miss Laura Baird departed yesterday for Boston, Mass., where she will enter the New England Conservatory of Music, and will be absent for several months. She was accompanied as far as Jacksonville by her sister, Miss Lena, who will visit in the State metropolis for a few days.

T. J. Swearingen and family of Kanapaha were in the city for a few hours yesterday en route to Jacksonville, where they go on a combined business and pleasure trip. They will shortly remove from their summer home at Kanapaha and again take up their residence in this city, owing to the school facilities.

#### EARLETON NOTES.

Earleton, Sept. 16.—Earleton is a lovely town situated on Lake Santa Fe, which is a most beautiful sheet of water connected with another lake by a canal. A good many of the people own motor boats and pass the time on these beautiful waters. It is a delightful place for a winter or summer resort; is a kind and peaceable community, with lovely shade trees and beautiful orange groves.

Miss Georgie Snowden of Hatchet Creek is attending school here. We are glad she is with us and hope the term will prove a great benefit to her.

A large crowd is expected here Saturday to go fishing on the lake.

Our school opened Monday, September 7, with a large enrollment, and we hope to have a successful school year, with Miss Manire of Hampton as our teacher. She seems to be making great progress, and our school house, since it has been moved over to the town, is close enough for all to go home to get warm dinner.

There was a most enjoyable sing given at F. N. Thompson's Sunday night. Mrs. F. N. Thompson was the musician, and after the hours had fastly flown away the remaining time was spent until 9:45 in pleasant conversation. Those present were Mrs. Wilks and daughter, Miss Lela, Mr. and Mrs. Morris, Miss Manire, and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and family. We thank them very much for the sing.

Arthur Hall and brother, Lee, of Orange Heights, were out to Sunday school Sunday. We were glad to have them with us. Call again.

We now have a thriving Sunday school every Sunday at 2 o'clock.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend and make it a success by their prompt attendance and good lessons.

Mr. King's daughter of Jacksonville spent a few days with him last week. We were all glad to have her with us.

Mr. Wilks of McMeekin spent Saturday and Sunday at home with his wife and daughter.

The meeting at Orange Heights was largely attended Sunday by the Earleton people.

Mr. Tison has been sick the past week, but we sincerely hope he will soon be up again.

#### MICANOPY NEWS NOTES.

Micanopy, Sept. 16.—The sub-district road trustees are now working on the road leading via Rochelle to Gainesville. There is some talk of opening a new road to Irvine and Fairfield by the way of South Side. This road would open up quite a territory.

Micanopy has more hard roads than any district in Alachua county. The trustees have worked faithfully and they deserve the praise of the people for their work, for they do it without compensation.

Mrs. Thomas Gale of Savannah, Ga., is visiting Mrs. W. C. Johnson for a few days.

A. U. Hilleary has his corn mill grinding. This is quite a convenience to the farmers.

Mrs. M. D. Bartleson and little son, M. D., Jr., are visiting relations in Jacksonville.

Jesse Burtz, who never sleeps, of Gainesville, was in town recently. Jesse has many friends here who are always glad to see him.

W. M. Burch left yesterday for a few days' stay at Arcadia.

Mrs. J. H. Allison has returned home, after visiting relatives in Kissimmee.

A. G. Lamb has moved out to his orange grove on Palms' prairie. He makes the move so he can look after picking his orange crop this fall. Mr. Leverett is occupying the residence vacated by Mr. Lamb.

Raymond Pardee has the contract for carrying the mail on route No. 1.

#### Party at Arredondo.

A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Beville last Monday evening in honor of Miss Lila Fraser, who has been with the young people for some time. It was well attended and enjoyed by all. Miss Lila departed for her home at Alachua Wednesday, much to the regret of her many friends. Miss Fraser has for two years past been the principal of the Arredondo high school, but this year returns to Antioch, where she taught some years back. Her many friends wish her success, health and happiness.

#### May Purchase Pound Building.

The building committee of the Knights of Pythias have been looking over the city in an endeavor to secure a suitable location for the erection of their proposed new home. They thought they had the matter settled and would secure the vacant lot adjoining the Tabernacle, but this cannot be purchased, and the committee is now looking over the old city hotel sight, and may purchase this property, provided the same can be secured at a reasonable price.

#### Manager Shot by Foreman.

Greenville, Miss., Sept. 16.—H. V. Garner, manager of the Glen Allen Oil mill, at Glen Allen, Mississippi, was shot and probably fatally wounded Monday by T. C. Holliday, a foreman employed at the mill. The men had had trouble before and both were under peace bonds.

#### Taft's Fifty-First Birthday.

Chickasaw, O., Sept. 16.—Judge William H. Taft was fifty-one years old Tuesday and congratulations are being received on that event. The well wishes are coming both by letter and postal card. The quadruple was born in Chickasaw Sept. 16, 1857.

## ARKANSAS ELECTIONS

Entire Democratic Ticket Elected by Large Majority.

### A RECORD-BREAKING VOTE

Results Show Apparently an Even Break Between the Prohibitionists and the License Advocates—Some Counties Remain Wet, Some Dry.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 16.—The election of George W. Donaghey, the democratic nominee for governor and the entire democratic ticket by a majority which may exceed that received by Governor John S. Little two years ago, more than 65,000, and an apparently even break between the prohibitionists and license advocates; the adoption of one constitutional amendment and the defeat of another, are the most important results of the state election held in Arkansas Monday as indicated by incomplete returns from a majority of the seventy-five counties in the state.

The returns indicate that a record-breaking vote was polled throughout the state. Fair weather, which prevailed aided by the interest which had been aroused by warm contests over the license question in many counties, and the discussion of the two constitutional amendments brought out a large vote.

Interest in the election centered in the result of the campaign which was waged in many counties by the prohibition forces. The returns on the license question are not conclusive; but the indications are that neither the prohibitionists nor the license advocates have made any considerable net gain.

The indications are that Miller county, in which Texarkana is located, and Polk county, have been captured by the prohibitionists, while thought to have been lost to the Crawford and Perry counties are license forces.

Both sides claim St. Francis and Chicot counties, which favored a large majority for license two years ago. Craighead and Green counties remain "dry." Pulaski, Jefferson, Phillips, Lee, Jackson and Ouachita counties, in which the prohibitionists centered their fight to a large extent, remain "wet."

#### MAINE ELECTIONS.

Republicans Carried the State by About 8,000 Plurality.

Portland, Me., Sept. 16.—The republicans carried Maine Monday by about 8,000 plurality, as against 26,816 in the last presidential year, and 8,964 in 1906. Late Monday night returns from 468 out of 519 cities, towns and plantations in the state gave for governor:

Bert M. Fernald, of Poland, republican, 72,117.

Cladish Gardner, of Rockland, democrat, 64,993.

In 1904 the same places gave 76,334 for Governor Cobb, republican, and 49,466 for Davis, democrat. The missing towns which are small, four years ago, cast 1,436 republican votes, and 730 democratic.

The republicans carried all four congressional districts by about the usual pluralities. The legislature will be safely republican in both branches.

#### Thaw Sent to Another Jail.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Harry K. Thaw left the Dutchess county jail Monday in custody of Under Sheriff John Townsend, and accompanied by his counsel, Charles Monahan, boarded a train for Tarrytown. From thence the three went on trolley to the Westchester county jail, where Thaw heretofore will be in the custody of Sheriff Lane.

#### Niece of "Fighting Bob" Weds.

Lawrence, Sept. 16.—The wedding of Miss Emily Taylor, daughter of the late Colonel D. M. Taylor, U. S. A., and niece of Rear Admiral Rowley G. Evans, and E. H. Symington, of Baltimore, took place at St. Mark's church Sunday.